

continues to be a historian for the City of Rockwood. Throughout her 100 years, Patricia has demonstrated a true passion for our community and all those in it. Her impact has transformed the city, and we will forever be grateful for her years of dedicated service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Patricia Lezotte Quick on her 100th birthday. I join with Patricia's friends in extending my best and warmest wishes to her on this special day. I am proud to honor her life, her accomplishments, and her invaluable contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING THE CONFIRMATION  
OF REPRESENTATIVE JEAN  
FARMER-BUTTERFIELD TO THE  
NORTH CAROLINA EMPLOYMENT  
SECURITY BOARD OF REVIEW

**HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize and celebrate the confirmation of Representative Jean Farmer-Butterfield to the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review.

Representative Farmer-Butterfield proudly represented Wilson County for nearly two decades in the North Carolina House of Representatives. During that time, she distinguished herself as a committed public servant and advocate for the people of Wilson County. Farmer-Butterfield was celebrated by her peers on both sides of the aisle for her powerful skills in negotiation and ability to find compromise amongst her colleagues. In her time serving in the North Carolina General Assembly, she rightly developed a reputation as a lawmaker capable of achieving goals through bipartisan agreement.

As a Representative, she was a champion of mental health and substance abuse issues, public schools and early childhood education, and economic development in Wilson County and throughout eastern North Carolina. For nine consecutive terms, Wilson County residents voiced their approval of Farmer-Butterfield's zealous and impactful advocacy for them and demonstrated their appreciation and confidence in her through their votes.

Now, she will continue her long career of public service on the Board of Review where her intellect and work ethic will benefit many across North Carolina. I commend Governor Cooper for his nomination of Representative Farmer-Butterfield and the General Assembly for confirming her appointment.

On behalf of the residents of the First Congressional District of North Carolina and especially those in Wilson County, I thank Representative Farmer-Butterfield for her many years of dedicated service in the North Carolina House of Representatives and wish her continued success on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review.

Congratulations, Jean.

AUGUST VETERAN OF THE  
MONTH: ROB MILLER

**HON. KEVIN HERN**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the First District of Oklahoma's August Veteran of the Month, Major Rob Miller.

An Artillery Officer in the United States Marine Corps, Major Rob Miller honorably served our nation from 1983 to 1995. Major Miller is a combat veteran who served during Operation Desert Storm. Upon returning home from service, Major Miller followed his passion for service and has dedicated his life to public education.

Major Miller is currently serving as the Superintendent of Bixby Public Schools. Previously, Rob Miller served at Sand Springs Public Schools and Jenks Public Schools. Throughout his twenty-eight years in education, Rob Miller has earned numerous awards. In 2015, he was the Oklahoma Middle School Principal of the Year. He is also a National Association of Secondary School Principals National Finalist. Rob Miller's remarkable commitment to serving the students and families in our district is commendable.

In addition to working as the Superintendent of Bixby Public Schools, Miller is involved with the local veteran community. He has hosted ceremonies honoring veterans for many consecutive years on Veterans Day, and he has regularly participated in marathons honoring veterans. Miller is active in his community, where he is involved with his local church and is a member of the Bixby Rotary Club. Rob Miller answered the call to defend freedom across the globe and sacrificed whatever was necessary in the name of that noble cause. He continues to serve our country, community, and his fellow veterans. It is my honor to recognize Major Rob Miller as the First Congressional District of Oklahoma's August Veteran of the Month.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ANNE RODRIGUEZ—CALIFORNIA'S 24TH CONGRESSIONAL WOMEN OF THE YEAR

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, each year, my office extends special recognition to women on the Central Coast who have made a difference in our community through the Women of the Year Award. I would like to recognize one outstanding Women of the Year Award Recipient, Dr. Anne Rodriguez from Santa Barbara, California.

Anne deserves to be recognized for her dedication and service to our community. As one of only two gynecologic oncology surgeons that serve Santa Barbara and the surrounding communities, she has dedicated her entire professional life to surgery and care of women with gynecologic and breast cancer. When patients are in Dr. Rodriguez's care, they receive immense compassion, hope, and expertise.

Outside of her medical practice, Anne serves our community in a variety of other ways. For the last four years, she has served on the Board of Directors of the Cottage Health System, is the Chair of the Department of Surgery at Cottage Hospital and sits on the Board of the Santa Barbara Breast Care Alliance. She was a founding Board member of the local chapter of Boys Team Charity, a philanthropic organization that teaches young men from 7th to 12th grade about the importance of giving back to the community through volunteering. Anne has volunteered with numerous local organizations, including the Goleta Public Library, Teen Court, Art from Scrap, the Santa Barbara Rescue Mission, Santa Barbara Bike Coalition, the Santa Barbara Zoo, Santa Barbara Wildlife Care Network, Montessori Center School, and the MAD Academy at Santa Barbara High School.

Anne is humble about the extent of the commitments she juggles and her importance to the lives of her patients; she will always step up to help the community or a patient in need. That incredible work ethic and spirit of service has made Anne a beloved resident of the Central Coast.

I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 24th Congressional District, Dr. Anne Rodriguez, for her incredible service to her community.

HONORING RATOYA GILMER

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant. Attorney RaToya Gilmer was born and raised in Edwards, Mississippi, and still currently resides there. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Tougaloo College. Attorney Gilmer graduated from the University of Mississippi School of Law in May 2013. She was admitted to practice law in the state of Mississippi in September 2013. She is currently the managing partner at Gilmer and Green Legal Group, PLLC where the firm focuses on family law and personal injury cases. She is currently the President of the Magnolia Bar Association where she served as the community service committee co-chair and President of the organization.

She is currently a member of the Mississippi Bar Association, the Mississippi Association for Justice, the Metro Jackson Black Women Lawyers' Association, the Mississippi Women Lawyers' Association, Women for Progress, and a member of the 33rd Class of Leadership Greater Jackson.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Attorney RaToya Gilmer.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARLES  
EZRA FERRELL

**HON. RASHIDA TLAIB**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Charles Ezra Ferrell and his